

ITEMS FOR MR. CARY FOR THE DCI 9:00 MEETING ON: 30 September 1977
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SUBJECT: Background to GAO Request for Briefing on Soviet
Bomber Threats to North America

Pursuant to the Director's request to find out how and which Congressional Committees behind this inquiry from GAO. reflected in its 23 September to the DCI. I talked with Frank Chemery Assistant Director of Procurement and Systems Acquisitions Division of GAO.

Chemery said there is no congressional request in back of this GAO request. The requirement is self-initiated. Chemery explained that each year GAO picks out about 25 to 30 major weapons systems and prepares reports on them for the appropriate Congressional Committees-- in this instance Armed Services and Appropriations-- and does reports in time for the January/February beginning of the budget process.

This request reflected in the GAO 23 September falls in this category.

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